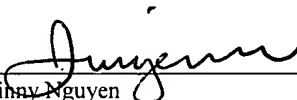


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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL OFFICE  
ACTION UNDER 37 CFR 1.116**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated April 8, 2005, the response to which has been extended by two (2) months from July 8, 2005 to September 8, 2005, by petition and payment of the appropriate fee, please amend the above-identified application in the following manner:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.